



# Bridgewater Recreation 2007 Basketball



**For 2nd to 8th grade Boys & Girls!**  
**(in the 2006/2007 school year)**

Welcome to the Bridgewater Township Recreation Department. We encourage everyone to participate in our programs. We have a working relationship with the Somerset County Therapeutic Recreation Department (TR) allowing for recreation programs that can promote an active lifestyle that improves social, cognitive, emotional functioning and enhances participants' abilities. If your child has any special needs and may require a reasonable accommodation please note appropriately on the following registration form.

***More information will be mailed home to all registered participants after the registration deadline of Monday, October 16, 2006 as to the times, dates, etc... for the mandatory evaluations and program specifics (pending grade)!***

Boys and girls play separately. There are no special considerations regarding carpooling or team selection. Participants are evaluated and placed or drafted onto teams for the advancement of the programs. Note: Due to overlapping schedules, children are not permitted to register for basketball, ski or wrestling programs.

## 2nd Grade Basketball

This program will teach the basic skills of the game, dribbling, passing and shooting at 8 foot baskets and how to play in a fun and non-competitive environment. Art Thomas and staff have an exciting season planned for boys and girls! Eight games will be played on ½ court on Saturdays from early January to mid March 2007 at Adamsville School (Route 28/Union Ave). There will not be any practices during the week, Saturdays only! Cost is \$40.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$45.00 Raritan Residents.

## 3rd Grade Basketball

This program concentrates on clinic instruction and in-town league play for the formative years of the game. Tom Lembrich and staff have an exiting season planned for boys and girls! A mandatory clinic will be held on a Saturday in early December at Hillside School. Eight games will be played on full court on Saturdays from early January to mid March 2007 at Bradley Gardens School (Old York to Beach Ave). The basket will raise as the season progresses (8 to 10 foot baskets)! Practices will only be held on Saturdays, 20 to 30 minutes before each game. Cost \$40.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$45.00 Raritan Residents.

## 4th Grade Basketball

New for this year...now a practice during the week!

This program concentrates on instruction and in-town league play on ten foot baskets. A mandatory evaluation will be held early December at the Bridgewater-Raritan Middle School. Nine games will be played on full court on Saturdays from early January to mid March 2007 at Hillside School (Brown Road). Practice will be held one night a week. Cost \$50.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$55.00 Raritan Residents.

## 5th & 6th and 7th & 8th Grade Basketball

These leagues will emphasize sportsmanship and fundamental growth through weekly competition. Playoffs will be held! Evaluations will be held early in December. Teams will be formed via a draft. Practices will be held one night a week and games will be played on Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays pending registration. Cost \$60.00 Bridgewater Residents and \$65.00 Raritan Residents.

# **\*More Information for Bridgewater Recreation Basketball\***

## **Registration Deadline: Monday, October 16, 2006**

Registration after deadline will require a \$10.00 late fee

All checks payable to "Bridgewater Township"

Even though there is a deadline, space is limited, registration based on a first come first serve at the Bridgewater Recreation Department.

Any registration received by the Recreation Department after 5:00pm on the specified registration deadline will be considered late. The registration will be placed on a waiting list with no guarantees of being placed on a team or receiving a jersey or t-shirt. If not placed a refund will be issued.

Three ways to register! In person at the Bridgewater Recreation Department (Municipal Building – 700 Garretson Road) 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, drop registration off in the "REC" mailbox located around back of the Municipal Building before or after office hours, via postal service. If mailing the registration form close to the deadline date, form must reach the Recreation Department on the specified deadline date by 5:00pm. If form is received after specified deadlines, late payment will be required.

## **Interested in Coaching?**

What better way to be more involved in the Township and sports than to volunteer your time to coach?! If you are interested in coaching for any Recreation Program it's easy to get started! In order to coach for Township sponsored programs you must be (1) Rutgers Certified and (2) Safety Background Checked with KidSafe.

## **Rutgers Youth Sports Safety Orientation & Training Workshop**

Mandatory for all volunteers of youth sports. Coaches and assistants who attend this workshop will be covered under the law, which provides immunity from civil damages. It is mandatory for all coaches and assistants participating in Township activities to become certified. The workshop will be held at the Bridgewater Senior Citizen Center on Monday, September 18, 2006, Mondays, December 18, 2006 or Tuesday, April 10, 2007 from 6:30 to 10:00pm. No Cost to Bridgewater Township Recreation Coaches. Class includes participant receiving a book, reference manuals and certification card. Rutgers Youth Sports Safety Orientation & Training Workshop is a one time certification and good indefinitely. If you are in need of certification and have a conflict with the above date contact the Rutgers Youth Sports Research Council at (732) 932-7178 or visit their website at [www.youthsports.rutgers.edu](http://www.youthsports.rutgers.edu) for other clinics in the area. Space is limited, registration is based on first come first serve at the Bridgewater Recreation Department, Bridgewater-Raritan resident coaches will be taken first before out of town coaches if course fills up. Pre-Registration through the Bridgewater Recreation Department is required. Download a registration form at [www.bridgewaternj.gov](http://www.bridgewaternj.gov).

## **Mandatory Safety Background Checks - KidSafe**

In the interest of the safety and welfare of Bridgewater Youth, the Bridgewater Township Council adopted a local ordinance (Township Ordinance #04-10) requiring criminal background checks for Bridgewater Township Recreation volunteer coaches. The ordinance requires all Bridgewater Township Recreation volunteer coaches to be fingerprinted so that state and federal criminal background checks can be conducted. Persons will not be eligible to coach youth sports programs sponsored by the Bridgewater Township Recreation Department unless they have passed a criminal background check. KidSafe certification must be taken in Bridgewater. Fingerprinting through KidSafe is good for three years and recertification is required. The next fingerprinting session(s) will be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2006, Wednesday, January 10, 2007 or Wednesday, April 18, 2007 at the Bridgewater Senior Center from 5:30pm to 8:00pm. Pre-Registration through the Bridgewater Recreation Department is required. Download a registration form at [www.bridgewaternj.gov](http://www.bridgewaternj.gov).

# Bridgewater Recreation 2007 Basketball Registration Form

If registering more than one child, separate checks and forms are required. Please print legibly.



## Participants

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle Gender: male or female

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ feet & \_\_\_\_\_ inches

(mandatory information)

☐ By checking this box, I am indicating that my child has individual needs due to a disability. I need to be contacted regarding reasonable accommodations for my child and will be notified regarding special considerations for my child.

Circle Grade as of September 2006:	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Registration Fee:	\$40.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$40.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$50.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$60.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$60.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$60.00 Bridgewater Res.	\$60.00 Bridgewater Res.
	\$45.00 Raritan Res.	\$45.00 Raritan Res.	\$55.00 Raritan Res.	\$65.00 Raritan Res.	\$65.00 Raritan Res.	\$65.00 Raritan Res.	\$65.00 Raritan Res.

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The following are the sizes we order for our participants pending grade and gender. Sizes are; youth medium (10-12), youth large (14-16), adult small, adult medium, adult large, adult x-large. If you feel your child will need a **special order** (larger or smaller for their grade), please indicate below. Please note, there are no guarantees; we will try our best to get your child an appropriate size for him/her. **Yes**, my child most likely won't fit your graph of shirt sizing. You may contact the Recreation Department to inquire the size we order for your child's grade. Please try to order him/her the following size... circle: YM YL AS AM AL AXL

### Player code of conduct...

I will respect other players, coaches and officials. I will learn and obey the rules of the game. I will not verbally or physically protest the officials' rulings. I will respect the equipment of the league and other players. I will try to have fun at all times. I will celebrate the achievements of others. I will not float or mock and tease other players. I will practice good sportsmanship. I will put teamwork ahead of my individual goals. I will encourage my teammates. I will respect the other team's efforts. I will always remember that "it is just a game".

### Spectator code of conduct...

I have accepted that my child may not become an NBA star. I will respect players, coaches, officials and other parents. I will learn and understand the established rules of the game. I will not coach my child or any other player from the sidelines. I will celebrate the achievements of "all" players. I will behave as a good parent and role model at all events. I will not taunt any player, coach or official. I will leave the premises quietly if instructed to do so by a league official or referee. I will bring my child on time and ready for all games and practices. I will refrain from any drug or alcohol use if I am to be in attendance of dealing with the children. I will display good sportsmanship and encourage my children to do the same. I will avoid conflict and confrontation at all public events. I will not respond to another person's negative comments or antagonistic remarks, rather I will report them to the league officials. I will learn and accept my child's limitations. I accept "it is just a game". I realize that a referee will not change his call. I will always keep my cool. I will always smile!

By signing my child up for the Bridgewater Recreation Basketball programs I have read the Player Code of Conduct and Spectator Code of Conduct. I have reviewed with my child and understand its content and I promise to abide by its contents and understand that the penalties for failure to do so may include suspension from participating at all Bridgewater Recreation Basketball events. I also understand that severe or repeated offenses shall result in permanent loss of participation privileges. This is a contact sport. Injuries may occur. Please note that Bridgewater Township Recreation Department does not provide individual medical coverage for its participants. Each participant will be covered under his/her family's medical policy. It is recommended that families have insurance before the child participates. The Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel, alter, supplement, limit registration or change any other information.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



Bridgewater Township requires all volunteers to be both Rutgers Certified and KidSafe background checked. Please ☒ appropriately so that we may send you a coach's application...

☐ I was a coach last year and would like to coach again!

☐ I am interested in becoming a coach!

☐ I am Rutgers Certified.

☐ I have been fingerprinted and background checked by KidSafe.

☐ I have registered for one of the Rutgers Workshops and/or KidSafe so that I may volunteer to be a coach.

Circle:  
Head Coach or Assistant Coach